



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

October 17, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Preparation for Lowenstein/Moose Trip
to Korea, Philippines and Japan

1. On October 16, 1972, Mr. Richard Moose (SFRC Staff Del) advised PM (Mr. Ladd) that he and Messrs. Lowenstein and George Ashworth would be taking an official trip to Korea, the Philippines and Japan from October 29 to November 21, 1972. Mr. Moose stated that the purpose of the trip was to up-date the SFRC's information on US commitments, programs and activities in Korea and the Philippines. He stated that Senator Fulbright was sending letters to the Secretaries of State and Defense and the Directors of CIA and NSA informing them of the trip and requesting necessary briefings and administrative assistance for the Staff Del. (Copies of cited letters are attached at Tab A less NSA classified letter.)
2. During the afternoon of October 16 Mr. Moose met with Mr. Ladd and asked that he coordinate the Washington pre-trip briefing schedule. He also provided the draft of a proposed message to alert the Missions concerned and CINCPAC of the trip and its purpose (Tab B) and a proposed briefing schedule with matters to be addressed by Departments and Agencies concerned.
3. The Department and Agencies concerned were notified by telephone on the afternoon of October 16 of the proposed trip by Staff Dels and invited to an initial coordinating meeting to be held at Department of State at 1000 hours, October 17, 1972. Following the October 17 meeting and subsequent coordination with the Staff Dels, a tentative schedule of briefings and related agenda items for discussion was developed (Tab C).

State Dept. review completed

4. With slight modification, the Staff Del's proposed initial message to the Missions concerned and CINCPAC was dispatched on October 17.

5. Additional coordinated messages of instruction and information, to include verification of Staff Del security clearances will be prepared and cleared for dispatch during the next few days.

6. The Staff Dels advised that on this trip they represent the SFRC whereas on their previous three trips they represented the (Symington) Sub Committee on US security agreements and commitments abroad.

Jonathan F. Ladd

Attachments:

Tab A

Tab B

Tab C

The Honorable
William P. Rogers
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

At the request of the Committee on Foreign Relations, James G. Lowenstein, Richard M. Moose and George W. Ashworth, Consultants, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, will be traveling to the Philippines, Japan and Korea, between October 29 and November 22. The purpose of their trip will be to bring up to date the Committee's information concerning U.S. interests, commitments and programs in the countries which they will be visiting. The staff has been asked to meet with American officials representing all aspects of U.S. civilian and military activities in the countries they visit.

The Committee hopes that the Department of State will cooperate fully with the Committee staff. I am sure that you understand the Committee's sense of responsibility with regard to all matters affecting U.S. foreign relations, security interests and activities abroad. In this connection, I find it regrettable that in the past the Department of State has found it necessary to warn U.S. officials overseas that the approach of members of our staff "will likely be that of participants in an adversary process."

While the Department of State and the Committee each has its respective responsibilities, we are both, after all, parts of the same government and share a common dedication to the best interests of our country.

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It has long been the Committee's belief that the national interest is best served when there is frank and unrestricted interchange of ideas and information between the Executive and Legislative Branches of our government. Admonitions such as that cited do little to foster a constructive relationship. Their undoubted effect is to engender a state of mind on the part of the recipients which insures an adversary relationship. This is not the kind of relationship the Committee intends or wants. Because I am sure that you share this view, I ask that whatever message is sent to the field in this case be discussed with the Committee and that it not reflect negatively on the motives or approach of our staff.

The Committee staff will be in touch with officials of your Department regarding the details of their travel. I would appreciate your cooperation in arranging appropriate briefings by officials of the Departments of State, Defense and the Agency for International Development before their departure and, of course, all possible assistance during their travels.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. Fulbright
Chairman

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The Honorable
Melvin R. Laird
Secretary of Defense
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

At the request of the Committee on Foreign Relations, James G. Lowenstein, Richard M. Moose and George W. Ashworth, Consultants, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, will be traveling to the Philippines, Japan and Korea, between October 29 and November 22. The purpose of their trip will be to bring up to date the Committee's information concerning U.S. interests, commitments and programs in the countries which they will be visiting.

I would appreciate the full cooperation of the Department of Defense in providing information on United States interests and programs throughout Asia and the Pacific, including particularly the countries named. The Committee hopes that officials of the Department of Defense will bear in mind the responsibilities of this Committee in all matters affecting U.S. foreign policy, security interests and the operation of U.S. programs abroad. We consider it to be important to the success of this undertaking that your representatives deal with the Committee staff on a frank and unrestricted basis commensurate with the level of their security clearances and their status as representatives of the Committee.

Prior to their departure from Washington the staff will consult with officials of your Department regarding the details of their travel and to arrange for briefings in Washington and elsewhere. En route to the Far East, the staff has been asked by the Committee to stop in

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Honolulu for consultations at CINCPAC headquarters. I trust that you will issue the necessary instructions to insure that appropriate arrangements can be made for these meetings and for other travel and briefings.

Department of Defense support, including authorization to use military air transportation as required while they are overseas, would also be appreciated. Pursuant to the provisions of section 1314 of Public Law 207, 83rd Congress, the payment of such actual and necessary expenses as they may incur is authorized.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. Fulbright
Chairman

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October 11, 1972

The Honorable Richard Helms
Director, Central Intelligence
Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Helms:

At the request of the Committee on Foreign Relations, James G. Levenstein, Richard H. Moose and George W. Ashworth, Consultants, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, will be traveling to the Philippines, Japan and Korea, between October 29 and November 22. The purpose of their trip will be to bring up to date the Committee's information concerning U.S. interests, commitments and programs in the countries which they will be visiting. In the course of their travels the staff will be in touch, at the Committee's request, with American officials representing all aspects of U.S. civilian and military activities in the countries visited.

In the past, officials of your Agency [redacted] have been extremely helpful in enabling our staff to be as fully informed as possible concerning the Committee's areas of interest. I hope that we can again count on your cooperation, with the understanding, of course, that the security classification of any information provided to the staff will be fully respected.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. Fulbright
Chairman

October 16, 1972

TO: Amembassy Tokyo
Amembassy Seoul
Amembassy Manila
AmComGen Hong Kong
CINCPAC

SUBJ: Staff del Lowenstein/Moose - Initial Message

1. At request Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Committee staff consultants James G. Lowenstein and Richard M. Moose will be visiting action addressee posts. As stated in letters by Chairman Fulbright to Secretaries of State and Defense and Directors CIA and NSA, purpose their trip is to bring up to date Committee's information on U.S. commitments, programs and activities in Korea and Philippines. Copies of Chairman's letters to Secretaries State and Defense being pouched.]

2. Itinerary follows: ETD Washington 1745 October 29 via TW 63/PA 844, ETA Honolulu 2320; ETD Honolulu 1230 October 31 via JL 071, ETA Tokyo 1525 November 1; ETD Tokyo 1630 November 1 (same day) via KE 702, ETA Seoul 1835; ETD Seoul 1410 November 8 via KE 601, ETA Hong Kong 1820; ETD Hong Kong 1320 November 9 via PR 301, ETA Manila 1500; ETD Manila 1520 November 19 via AF 188, ETA Tokyo 2130; ETD Tokyo 1730 November 21 via NW 4.

3. Committee staff consultant George W. Ashworth will be accompanying Lowenstein and Moose to CINCPAC and Seoul in order study Foreign Military Sales Program. Will advise later regarding remainder Ashworth itinerary.

4. Please meet, assist, appoint control officers. Lowenstein, Moose and Ashworth each authorized up to \$50 per diem plus actual travel expenses 19 FT 510 funds. Lowenstein, Moose and Ashworth have Top Secret clearances. [Additional Lowenstein and Moose clearances will be subject septel.]

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5. Hotel reservations requested: Three singles (Lowenstein, Moose and Ashworth) CINCPAC -- BQ accommodations and Seoul - New Chosen; thereafter, 2 singles (Lowenstein & Moose) Hong Kong - Peninsula, Hong Kong Hotel or other Kowloon side; Manila - Best available; Tokyo - Okura.

6. For CINCPAC. Staffdel would appreciate CINCPAC general briefings on threat, situation in Pacific, deployment U.S. forces. Lowenstein and Moose would then like detailed briefings on Korea and Philippines including military assistance programs. Ashworth would appreciate chance discuss Foreign Military Sales Program in detail.

7. For Seoul. Staffdel would appreciate briefings Nov. 2 and 3 on political and economic situations, military assistance program, aid program, U.S. forces, ROK forces. Will discuss remainder -- including appointments with ROK officials, travel and visits to bases over weekend -- after arrival.

8. For Manila. Staffdel would appreciate briefings Nov. 9 and 10 on political and economic situation, military assistance programs, economic assistance program, U.S. forces and bases U.S.-Philippine negotiations on bases and Laurel-Langley. Will discuss remainder schedule -- including appointments with local officials, and visits to bases over weekend -- after arrival.

9. For Tokyo. Staffdel would appreciate opportunity talk to Embassy officers, Japanese officials and knowledgeable observers re Japanese views recent developments Korea, future developments Asia, role U.S. forces in Pacific, relationship thereto of U.S. forces and bases Korea and Japan.

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Tentative Briefing Schedule

for

Staff Dels Lowenstein/Moose

1. The briefing program for the Staff Dels is, at their request, oriented primarily on Korea and the Philippines. Their interest appears to be focused on assessments of threats, internal and external political situations, US military deployments and bases, US/Philippine negotiations, economic situations, requirements of Korean and Philippine military forces, and certain specific matters such as North/South talks in Korea, the Korean Five Year Modernization Phase, Korean forces in Vietnam and PL 480.

2. The Staff Dels have requested that attendance at the briefings be restricted to themselves, their contact officer, and the personnel of the agency or department presenting the specific briefings.

3. The tentative briefing schedule follows:

Thursday, October 19: Department of State - Room 7318

0900 - 1200: The Philippine Country Director (Mr. Usher) assisted by the AID Desk (Mr. Hall) and INR (Mr. Barber) will address:

- a. Internal and external political situation
- b. The Economic Situation
- c. The Insurgency

1430 - 1700: The Korean Country Director (Mr. Ranard) assisted by a representative of the Japan Desk will address:

- a. Internal and external political situation
- b. North/South Talks
- c. Korea in the context of the great power relationship (US, Japan, China and USSR)

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1700 - 1800: The Japan Desk (Mr. Levin) will address:

- a. Future Developments in Asia as they relate to Japan
- b. US forces/bases in Japan

Friday, October 20: Department of State - Room 7318

1000 - 12:30: The Korea Country Director (Mr. Ranard) assisted by PM (Mr. Ford) will address:

- a. Korea MAP & FMS
- b. ROK troops in SVN (arrangements)
- c. US troops in Korea

1430 - 1700: The Philippine Country Director (Mr. Usher) assisted by the PM Officer (Mr. Ford) will address:

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- a. Philippine MAP
- b. US Bases in Korea
- c. US/Philippine Negotiations (bases and Laurel Langley)

Tuesday, October 24: NSA, New State Rm 7317

1100 - 1230: NSA will meet with Staff Dels 25X1

1430 - 1700: Staff Dels will meet with CIA representatives at Langley

Wednesday, October 25: - Pentagon

0900 - 1230: The JCS will present briefings to Staff Dels on:

- a. Overall military assessment of Pacific Area to include threats
- b. North Korean capabilities and intentions.
- c. Philippine Insurgency

- d. US interests in security of Pacific area.
- e. US deployments and bases as a function of the threats and US interests.
- f. Specific US deployments and bases in Korea and the Philippines.

1400 - 1700: DOD/ISA and JCS will meet with Staff Dels in Room 4E827 to discuss:

- a. The design and operation of the MAP programs in the Philippines and Korea (based on assessments presented by JCS during morning briefings).
- b. Development of requirements for Philippine and Korean Forces.
- c. Korean Five-Year Modernization Plan.
- d. Requirement for US bases in the Philippines (not based on the VN problem.)

Thursday, October 26: AID, New State 7318

1430 - 1600: AID (Mr. Chandler and Mr. Hall) will address:

- a. Korean Economic Situation
- b. AID Program for Korea to include cotton/textile agreements.
- c. PL 480, Korea
- d. AID Program for Philippines
- e. US Disaster Relief Program for Philippines

1600 - 1700: Open time for exit interviews by senior officials if desired. Contact Mr. J. F. Ladd (phone: 632-2478) for appointments.